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SUBJECT: PL 480 TITLE I RICE AND WHEAT TENDERS

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1. USDA HAS APPROVED FOLLOWING RICE SALES TO GARNAC GRAIN
SUBJECT TO REDUCTION OF QUANTITY IN EITHER OF THE SALES SO
THAT EXERCISE OF UPPER TOLERANCE OPTION TAFCO ON TOTAL 2
SALES WOULD NOT EXCEED THE AGREEMENT LIMITATION OF DOLS 9
MILLION AVAILABLE FOR RICE:

(A) 10,000 METRIC TONS LONG GRAIN 5 PERCENT MORE OR LESS AT
DOLS 429.50/MT, US GULF 5/10-6/20.

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(B) 12,000 MT MEDIUM GRAIN 5 PERCENT MORE OR LESS DOLS

395.90/MT, US PACIFIC COAST.

2. GARNAC HAS BEEN ADVISED THAT USDA WILL APPROVE EITHER 10,000 5 PERCENT MORE OR LESS LONG GRAIN AND 10,800 5 PERCENT MORE OR LESS MEDIUM GRAIN, OR 8,895 5 PERCENT MORE OR LESS LONG GRAIN AND 12,000 5 PERCENT MORE OR LESS MEDIUM GRAIN.

3. SYRIAMAR SHIPPING AGENCY SHOULD BE ADVISED OF THESE SALES.

4. REGARDING WHEAT SALE REGISTERED BY PENNSYLVANIA MINING, MCELROY HAS NOT PROVIDED REF INFO TO ENABLE APPROVAL AS SUPPLIER NOR GIVEN ANY INDICATION THAT HE HAS OBTAINED COMMITMENTS TO ENSURE DELIVERY OF WHEAT. USDA AWAITING LEGAL ADVICE ON DECISION WHETHER TO REJECT OR APPROVE SALE SUBJECT CONDITIONS PRECEDENT.

5. FYI: WHEAT DOWN 12-18 DOLS PER METRIC TON SINCE THIS SALE REGISTERED. KISSINGER

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